Docket No.: 43888-098 PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Customer Number: 20277

Motokazu WATANABE, et al.

Confirmation Number: 2364

Serial No.: 09/807,692

Group Art Unit: 1753
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Examiner: Alexander S. Noguerola

For: GLUCOSE SENSOR

REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CITED ART

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We are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance dated March 09, 2003.

In reviewing the file, it is noted that we have not received acknowledgement of the Information Disclosure Statement and cited art filed December 29, 2003. Enclosed are copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and stamped return postcard acknowledgement.

Applicant hereby respectfully requests that:

the appropriately acknowledged PTO-1449 be furnished to Applicant; and the record be clarified to confirm that the cited art has been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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The undersigned hereby requests consideration and entry of this Information Disclosure Statement and accompanying references under 37 CFR 1.97(d).

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The undersigned certifies that, to the best of his knowledge, each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement as described in 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1).

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